

Elks Hoop Shoot attracts 70 students from area goodland wrestling club

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About 70 students gathered Saturday morning at the Max Jones Fieldhouse in Goodland to shoot baskets in the annual hoop shoot sponsored by the Goodland Elks Lodge.
Boys and girls from Goodland, Brewster, Colby, Sharon Springs and Weskan, Burlington and Cheyenne Wells, Colo., competed in three age categories which were 8-9, 10-11 and 12-13. They tried to see how many free throws they could make in 25 attempts.
First place trophies were given to the top boy and girl in each age category and second place winners received medals.
The first place winner in the girls 8-9 division was Katie Clancy of Goodland who made 11 out of 25 free throws. She is the daughter of Connie Russell. The winner in the boys 8-9 category was Greg Farris of Goodland with 15 baskets. He is the son of Eddie and Pam Galindo.



Brandon Zelfer shot a basket during the Elks Hoop Shoot Saturday morning at the Max Jones Fieldhouse in Goodland. He was in the boys 12-13 division and won second place by making 19 of 25 free throws. Boys and girls ages 8 to 13 from Goodland and surrounding towns participated in the event.

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In the girls 10-11 division, Morgan Witzel of Burlington, won with 13 baskets. Taylor Elder of Sharon Springs was the winner in the boys 10-11 category with 20 free throws. He competed in two tiebreakers for the best out of five free throws. He made five baskets each time to win.
Winning first place in the girls 12-13 age division was Lauren Cox of Colby with 20 baskets. Heath Baird of Brewster won in the boys 12-13 age category with 21 free throws. He is the son of Bruce and Donita Baird.
Second place winners were Cassandra Welsh of Weskan in the girls 8-9 age division with 10 baskets and Tate Andrews of Sharon Springs in the boys

8-9 age category with 14 free throws.
In the 10-11 age division, Samantha Raymer of Goodland was the girl's winner with 11 baskets. She is the daughter of Steve and Debra Raymer. Jeff Reid of Brewster was the winner in the boys division with 20 baskets. In two tiebreakers, he shot five baskets and then four. He is the son of Nate and Judy Reid.
Winning second place in the girls di-

vision was Jessica Baker of Cheyenne Wells, with 13 baskets and Brandon Zelfer of Goodland with 19 free throws. He is the son of Sam and Diane Zelfer.
The six first place winners will advance to the district competition on Saturday, Jan. 27, at Russell. District winners will advance to state competition to be held in February at Newton. State winners will go the regional

contest to take place in March at Denver. Regional winners then advance to the national competition to be held in Springfield, Mass., where the Basketball Hall of Fame is located. Winners at the nationals will have their names inscribed on a plaque to be put in the hall of fame.
The contest began in 1946 by the Elks Lodge at Corvallis, Ore. It is now in its 29th year as a national program.

Twenty-eight members of the Goodland Wrestling Club traveled to Hoxie Saturday with 21 of them placing.
There were 370 total youngsters in the tournament.
Cy Paxton, Nathan Deeds, A.J. Stephens, Phillip Bullington, Kerek Mason and Aaron Deeds each brought back First place wins.
Members of the wrestling club will be traveling to Ellis Saturday for a tournament which begins at 8 a.m.
Individual results
Six and under
37 - Aaron Avelar, Fourth
40 - Cy Paxton, First
49 - Mikail Freeman, did not place
70 - Laine Herl, Second
Eight and under
46 - Austin Avelar, Second
52 - Seth Miller, Fourth
58 - Michael Pettibone, Second
58 - Alexis Albers, Third

61 - Kayler Rietcheck, Third
67 - Chance Davis, Fourth
67 - Erik Roeder, Third
70 - Nathan Deeds, First
73 - Paul Starr, Third
110 - David Murray, Fourth
10 and under
76 - A.J. Stephens, First
76 - Jonathan McClung, did not place
79 - Michael Ledesma, Third
79 - Ben Davis, Fourth
82 - Phillip Bullington, First
82 - Keegan Smith, Fourth
120 - T.J. Hawkins, Third
12 and under
68 - Jordan Albers, Second
72 - Kerek Mason, First
84 - Dual Rall, did not place
88 - Aaron Deeds First
105 - Casey Henderson, did not place
115 - Josiah Goodley, Third

Freshman lose to Colby

The Cowboy freshmen fell behind the Colby Eagles by 10 points in the first quarter of their game Friday, and were not able to overcome the deficit losing 67-40.
The Eagles were leading 18-8 at the end of the first quarter, and had extended the lead to 38-17 by halftime. The Cowboys did a bit better in the second half scoring 23 points, but the Eagles scored 29 to extend their margin.
Matt Hall was the high scorer for the Cowboys with 12 points on two three-point baskets in the first half and three field goals in the fourth quarter.
Bill Linin had seven points on three field goals in the third quarter and one

free throw. Dan Melia had five points on two field goals and one free throw. Michael Larson and Ian Scherling each had four points on two field goals. Contributing two points were Malcolm White, Bernie Tedford, Josh Topliff and Keith Kenton.
The Cowboys travel to Lakin today for a game beginning at 3:45 p.m., and Friday they will be in Atwood for a game beginning at 3:30 p.m.

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